

2011 Northwest Montana Fair

DEPARTMENT "R" RABBITS & SMALL ANIMALS

The Rabbits & Small Animals will be located in the Rabbit/Poultry Barn (#13 on map at back of fair book)



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

NOTICE: July 30th, 10:00 a.m., Barn Meeting for all Poultry & Rabbit Exhibitors. You are encouraged to attend this informative meeting.

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- **Monday, August 1st, 4:30 p.m. -- Deadline for registration of entries for Rabbits & Pocket Pals.** You may enter online, mail entry forms to:
Flathead County Fairgrounds
265 N. Meridian Road
Kalispell, MT 59901

Or fax them to: 756-8936. To enter the Fair online, go to www.nwmtfair.com.

- **Sunday, August 14th, 3:00 - 8:00 p.m.**
Open & 4-H/FFA Rabbits accepted
- **Tuesday, August 16th, 9:00 a.m.**
Open Rabbit Show judging
- **Thursday, August 18th**
11:00-11:45 a.m. -- Pocket Pals accepted
Noon -- Pocket Pals judging
3:00-6:00 p.m. -- All Pocket Pals released
- **Sunday, August 21st, 6:00 p.m.**
Release of livestock

GENERAL INFORMATION

BARN HOURS: 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

- **Rabbit feeding & cleaning times are 9:00-10:00 a.m. and 7:00-8:30 p.m. each day.**
1. All rabbits are subject to a health check at the time of entry. All out-of-state rabbits must have current health certificate. Any animals exhibiting signs of disease or stress will not be accepted for entry and will be sent home!
 2. Judge will be governed by the A.R.B.A. Standards of Perfection, except for crossbred classes. Rabbits entered in Junior MUST make Junior weight listed in the Standard for their breed. Rabbits under 3 months cannot be shown except in Class No. 7.
 3. An exhibitor may enter only two rabbits per class

number per section. Blue ribbon rabbits will be eligible for Best of Breed. Best of Breed will be eligible for Best of Show.

4. All rabbits must be permanently and legibly tattooed for identification. **All tattoo numbers must be written on fair exhibit registration forms and entry tags.**
5. All exhibitors must be present when their rabbit is being shown. If they cannot be present for a good reason they must fill out and present to the barn superintendent an absentee form prior to show. Forms are available at the Fair Office.
6. In accordance with Fair Rules 5 and 7, any exhibitor or family member of the exhibitor who in any way harasses another exhibitor, Fair staff, or interferes with judging, will be removed. All entries will be sent home and premiums will be forfeited.
7. **Feeding & cleaning times will be strictly enforced. Times are 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS. After 3 warnings of unclean cages or unfed/non-watered animals, entries will be sent home and premiums will be forfeited. Cages will be posted with warnings.**

Attention Exhibitors: In Sections 532 through 535 weights are determined by the maximum weight of your breed when full-grown (a 3 month-old Flemish Giant will still show in giant section under correct age group)

SECTION 525 - HOLLAND LOP

SECTION 526 - MINI LOPS

SECTION 527-HAVANNA

SECTION 528-REX

SECTION 529-MINI REX

SECTION 530-DUTCH

SECTION 531-NETHERLAND DWARF

*SECTION 532 -ANY OTHER PUREBRED

Semi-Arch Type: American, Beveren, English Lop, Flemish Giant and Giant Chinchilla

*SECTION 533-ANY OTHER PUREBRED

Compact Type: American Fuzzy Lop, English Angora, Standard Chinchilla, Dwarf Hotot, Florida White, Jersey Wooly, Lilac, Polish and Silver Lionhead

*SECTION 534-ANY OTHER PUREBRED

Commercial Type: French Angora, Giant Angora, Satin Angora, Blanc de Hotot, Champagne d'Argent, Californian, Cinnamon, American Chinchilla, Crème d'Argent, French Lop, Harlequin, New Zealand, Palomino, Rex, American Sable, Satin, Silver Fox and Silver Martin

*Attention Exhibitors: Breeds that weigh less than 8 lbs at 6 months are excluded from Class No. 3 and 4 (Intermediate Doe/Buck), and are to be entered in senior classes.

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*SECTION 535 – ANY OTHER PUREBRED

Cylindrical Type: Himalayan

*SECTION 536 – ANY OTHER PUREBRED

Full Arch Type: Belgium Hare, Britannia Petite, Checkered Giant, English Spot, Rhinelander and Tan

*SECTION 537 – CROSSBRED OR GRADE

PREMIUMS

Blue, \$4.00; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00

Class No.

1. Senior Rabbit Doe (over 8 months)
2. Senior Rabbit Buck (over 8 months)
3. Intermediate Rabbit Doe (6 to 8 months)
4. Intermediate Rabbit Buck (6 to 8 months)
5. Junior Rabbit Doe (3 to 6 months)
6. Junior Rabbit Buck (3 to 6 months)

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BEST OF BREED (each section) Ribbon
 BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX (each section) Ribbon
 BEST OF SHOW, Overall..... Rosette
 RESERVE BEST OF SHOW, OVERALL..... Rosette

SECTION 538 – FUR

PREMIUMS

Blue, \$4.00; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00

Class No.

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| 1. Rex White | 5. Wool White |
| 2. Rex Colored | 6. Wool Colored |
| 3. Satin White | 7. Normal White |
| 4. Satin Colored | 8. Normal Colored |

BEST OF SHOW, Rex..... Ribbon
 BEST OF SHOW, Satin..... Ribbon
 BEST OF SHOW, Wool..... Ribbon
 BEST OF SHOW, Normal..... Ribbon

SECTION 539 – MARKET RABBIT

PREMIUMS

Blue, \$4.00; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00

Class No.

1. Pen of 3 market-ready fryers (all breeds compete in the same class. A meat pen consists of 3 animals of the same breed and the same color with an age limit of not over 10 weeks, and a minimum weight limit of

3 lbs. and not over 5 lbs. on each animal.

2. Single fryer–Not over 10 weeks of age and a minimum weight limit of 3 lbs. and not over 5 lbs.
3. Roasters – All rabbits entered in this class must be under 6 months of age and a minimum weight limit of 5 lbs. and not over 8 lbs.
4. Stewers – All rabbits entered in this class must be 6 months of age and over and a minimum weight over 8 lbs.

SECTION 540

OPEN SHOWMANSHIP

PREMIUMS

Blue, \$4.00; Red, \$3.00; White, \$2.00

Class No.

1. Senior, 14 to 18 years
2. Junior, 9 through 13 years
3. Novice, 8 years & under



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POCKET PALS – DEPARTMENT “PP”
 Pocket Pals will be located in the Rabbit/Poultry Building
 (#13 on the map located in the back of the fair book)

1. Junior
2. Senior

SECTION 543 POCKET PAL SHOWMANSHIP

PREMIUMS
 Blue, \$3.00; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.00

- Showmanship handling will be judged by the standards noted in the current 4-H Rabbit Fitting and Showing Manual.

BEST IN SHOW POSTERRosette

- Junior & Senior Pocket Pals showmen are not eligible for Round Robin competition.
- Minimum acceptable dress for showmanship shall be a long-sleeved white shirt, shoes or boots (no canvas tennis shoes), long, dark-colored pants and attire. Exhibitor must be neat and clean.

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 Or fax them to: 756-8936.

To enter the Fair on-line, go to www.nwmtfair.com, click “on line entries”, the department and class you wish to enter. Entering on-line is encouraged.

- **Thursday, August 18th**
 11:00-11:45 a.m., Pocket Pals accepted
 Noon, Pocket Pal judging
 3:00-6:00 p.m., Pocket Pals released

NO OVERNIGHTS ALLOWED

- The owners of these small animals will be required to furnish an appropriate cage/aquarium with a tight lid to keep animals from escaping and to keep spectators from handling animals.
- If the cage is glass, owners must take extra precautions that the cages are not broken. Small wire cages are preferred.

SECTION 541 – POCKET PALS

PREMIUMS
 Blue, \$3.00; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.00

Class

No.

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| 1. Guinea Pigs | 4. Hamsters |
| 2. Rats | 5. Gerbils |
| 3. Mice | 6. Any other small animal |

Exhibitors may enter up to 4 animals in each class. Animals must be identifiable by tattooing, tagging or some other form of identification.

POCKET PAL BEST IN SHOWRosette
 POCKET PAL RESERVERosette

SECTION 542 POCKET PALS POSTER CONTEST

Posters are to be informative, professional in appearance, colorful, fun and legible.

Class No.

Class No.

PREMIUMS
 Blue, \$3.00; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.00

1. Junior Showman
2. Senior Showman

BEST SENIOR SHOWMANRosette
 BEST JUNIOR SHOWMAN Rosette



Emily West winning the Creature Feature Contest earned her a bicycle which was sponsored by KOFI/ The Monster and Sportsman Ski Haus